



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Forest Practices Board

Subject of possible rule making:

Amend chapters 222-16, 222-10, and 222-38 WAC related to Taylor's checkerspot butterfly habitat conservation.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 76.09.040

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

In January 2006, the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission listed the Taylor's checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha taylori*) as a state endangered species. The listing became effective on March 2, 2006. The Forest Practices Board determined there is sufficient potential risk to this species from certain forest practices to consider rule making.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

Not applicable.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

☐ Negotiated rule making

☐ Pilot rule making

☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) The Forest Practices Board has directed the Department of Natural Resources to consult with Department of Fish and Wildlife experts and landowners and other stakeholders to determine an appropriate protection approach.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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